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FOR.: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING IN VIVO CAMERA
CAPTURE AND DISPLAY RATE

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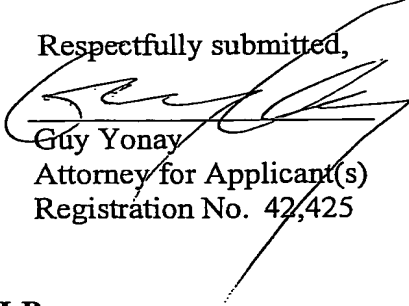
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